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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VIOLETTA ETTARE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSEPH E. BARATTA, an individual,
TBIG FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., form
of business unknown, WACHOVIA
SECURITIES, LLC, a Delaware Limited
Liability Company, MARK WIELAND, an
individual, and DOES 1-25,

Defendants.

Case No. 07-4429

DECLARATION OF GILBERT R.
SEROTA IN SUPPORT OF
DEFENDANTS' JOSEPH E. BARATTA
AND TBIG FINANCIAL SERVICES,
INC. JOINDER IN DEFENDANTS'
WACHOVIA SECURITIES, LLC AND
MARK WIELAND REMOVAL OF
ACTION

BY FAX

I, GILBERT R. SEROTA, declare as follows:

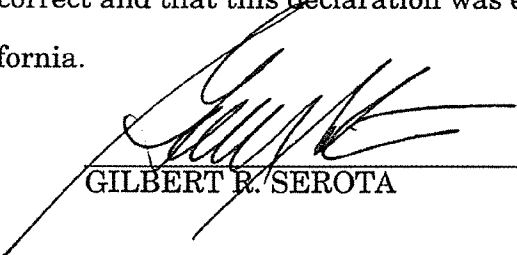
1. I am an attorney at law duly licensed to practice before this Court
and am a member of the law firm of Howard Rice Nemerovski Canady Falk & Rubin,
attorneys of record for Defendants JOSEPH E. BARATTA ("Baratta") and TBIG
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. ("TBIG") in this matter. I have personal knowledge of
the facts set forth below except for those stated upon information and belief and, if called
upon to testify as a witness, could and would testify competently thereto.

2. I am informed and believe TBIG is a corporation incorporated under

1 the laws of Nevada, having its principal place of business in Incline Village, Nevada.

2 3. I am informed and believe Baratta is a citizen of the State of Nevada.

3 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of
4 America that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on
5 August 27, 2007 in San Francisco, California.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is Keesal, Young & Logan, 400 Oceangate, P.O. Box 1730, Long Beach, California 90801-1730.

On August 27, 2007, I served the foregoing documents described as **DECLARATION OF GILBERT R. SEROTA IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' JOSEPH E. BARATTA AND TBIG FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. JOINDER IN DEFENDANTS' WACHOVIA SECURITIES, LLC AND MARK WIELAND REMOVAL OF ACTION** on the parties in this action by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

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Executed on August 27, 2007 at Long Beach, California.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California and United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.


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